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2. Shanghai is full of anti-US propaganda, in the press, on the radio, and in posters and placards all of which describe the US as the No 1 enemy of the Chinese people. The anti-US program has been extended to an official ban on the use of the English language. All English street names have been removed, and all English shop signs. Many of the latter have been replaced by signs in Russian but the street names now appear in Chinese only. The ban on the use of English is carried to ridiculous extremes.

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The ban is on English specifically and not on all foreign languages. The use of Russian is encouraged. The authorities have opened a large school in Kiangwan for the teaching of Russian.

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3. [redacted] no means of knowing how effective the anti-US campaign is. All Chinese servants are required to report in detail on the activities of their foreign employers and, therefore, it was out of the question [redacted] to discuss such matters with them. [redacted]

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4. Dr Ouyang (fmu) was one of the two doctors. He had come to Shanghai in 1950 or 51 from Peiping where he had been employed in the Peking Union Medical College. In Shanghai he had some sort of position in the municipal health department which was housed in the former American School on Ave Petain. He was arrested in March 1952 and sent to Peiping where he was jailed for four months. His wife was arrested in April 1952 and also sent to Peiping and jailed. Both were released at the same time and returned to Shanghai where Dr Ouyang resumed his former position in the public health department. [redacted]

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5. Bishop Chen (fmu), a Methodist [redacted] was arrested in the spring of 1951 and was never heard of again. The rumor was that he had been shot. Another Methodist bishop named Kun held a prominent position in the Communist government in Peiping. He and Bishop Chen were not on good terms [redacted]

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6. Anti-US propaganda made much of the germ warfare charges. Bubbling Well Road and Avenue Joffe were plastered with placards bearing pictures of germ warfare. The only English language daily, the "Shanghai News" was full of accounts of germ warfare, including the confessions of the two US flyers.

7. To bring home the Korean fighting to the public, the authorities prescribed two or three meatless days a week and allowed the sale of milk only every other day. The milk so saved was supposed to be turned over to processing plants to be made into milk powder for the troops in Korea.

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